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Contemporary Architecture of St. Petersburg. International Influence and Local Identity.

Lecture lead by the

Vladimir Grigoriev, Chief Architect of St. Petersburg, Russia

Aula Rogers of Politecnico di Milano in Leonardo Campus Bd. 11, via Ampere 2, Milan

Wednesday 14 October 2018 17.00 Free entrance

Vladimir Grigoriev: "The work of Domenico Trezzini, Bartolomeo Carlo Rastrelli, Giacomo Quarenghi, Antonio Rinaldi and Carlo Rossi, who built the city-forming ensemble of St.Petersburg, determined my style and my philosophy of planning."

The main architect of St.Petersburg Vladimir Grigoriev born in 1960 in St.Petersburg. His family does not belong to the architectural dynasty: it's a family of musicians, engineers, scientists. But in general their job had an influence on the choice of profession, connecting a humanitarian beginning with a strict technical manner.

Vladimir Grigoriev works in the town planning sector more than 35 years, since graduating from the Saint-Petersburg State University of Architecture and Civil Engineering in 1983.

He is is the author of many remarkable large-scale projects in St. Petersburg.

1. Residential complex "Palace of Congresses" in StreIna built for the 32nd G8 summit leaders in St.Petersburg in 2006.

2. Hotel W (now SO Sofitel), build in 2011. Hotel interior designed by Antonio Citterio (Alumni Politecnico di Milano).

3. One of the most popular shopping centers of the city "The Gallery", constructed in 2008 right in the heart of St.Petersburg, with a surface of nearly 200 000 m² and more than 300 shops. Annually, "The Gallery" is visited by 25 million customers. In 2011 the building was acquired by american foundation Morgan Stanley for a russian market record amount of more than 1 bn USD.

4. The Ice Palace arena in Saint Petersburg for winter sports and world class entertainment events, with an area of 37 000 m² for a total of 12 300 spectators.

5. Central Bank of the Russian Federation, St. Petersburg branch, historical reconstruction in a hi-tec style in 2004. Area - 15 200 m².

6. The Arbitration Court of St. Petersburg with an area of 32 000 m² for 50 courtrooms.

Apart from the projects mentioned above, Vladimir Grigoriev designed many landmark units in the urban environment: public buildings, residential areas, sport facilities in St.Petersburg city and region, having a total area of more than 1 800 000 m².

While running International projects, Vladimir Grigoriev worked alongside with notorious architects like Ricardo Bofill, Ben van Berkel, masters prominent in the professional community of RTKL, KKV, UNStudio offices.

In 2015 the Governor of St. Petersburg appointed Vladimir Grigoriev the Chief Architect of St. Petersburg.

In 2018, Vladimir Grigoriev became an honored architect of Russia according to the decree by the President of the Russian Federation Vladimir Putin.

Vladimir Grigoriev is fluent in English and has a wonderful sense of humor.

Is married and has two sons.

14 November of 2018, at 17.00 a conference will take place in the classroom G3 with the participation of students of the Architecture Faculty of Politecnico di Milano.

Coordination and organization

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